

MISSING FLINT GIRL FOUND IN CAMBRIDGE

Thirteen-year-old May J. Flint of Arlington, who was believed to have been drowned in Bay Pond, was found early today asleep in a doorway at No. 189 Pacific street, Cambridge.

When found the girl had her hair bag filled with clothing. She said she had been wandering about the streets since Tuesday night. She was taken to Cambridge police headquarters and her family notified.

The Flint girl took her skates with her when she left home Tuesday afternoon, and after her disappearance it was feared that she had been drowned in Bay Pond. The pond was dragged by the Arlington police, and the finding of a handkerchief on the ice led to the belief that the body was in the water.

"I was not satisfied with conditions at home," Miss Flint told the police. "I made up my mind that I would leave, and go and get work. I was determined that I would never go back."

Tuesday afternoon I left home with a bag of clothes, and my skates. I had a little money, and instead of going to Bay Pond I went to the Boston Common. I skated there until after dark, and then leaving my skates, I went and got something to eat.

"Tuesday night I wandered about for hours, and then went to sleep in a doorway. Yesterday I started to hunt for a job, but didn't find any. I got out to Cambridgeport last night and was so tired that I fell asleep in the doorway where the officer found me. It is so easy to get work."

At the Akersley of Station 3, a noted girl sleeping in the doorway of L. C. Robinson at No. 100 Pacific street. He woke her up and took her to headquarters. She did not object to going home.

"My father's parents are dead, and she makes her home with her uncle, Col. F. Flint, No. 85 Brantwood road, Arlington.

"Mama (Mrs. Flint) was out when I went away," said the girl. "And I did have a chance to say good-bye. She was late in coming to see me. I will never run away again."

MRS. ELIZABETH SCOTT CHILD, who is suing her husband, Richard Washburn Child, for divorce.



Wife of Child, Noted Author, Seeks Divorce

Richard Washburn Child, lawyer and writer, graduate of Harvard and nephew of Charles Sumner Bird, has been sued in the Supreme Court of New York for a divorce by Mrs. Elizabeth Scott Child.

Mrs. Child's attorneys decline to disclose the reasons that prompted the action.

It is understood that the correspondence in the case is not named. Mr. and Mrs. Child are well known in Boston society circles. Since their marriage they have lived in Beacon street and at Cohasset. The couple were married in 1904. His bride was one of the most talented women in Washington, D. C., at the time. She was later prominently identified with the Progressive party.

TWO ARRESTS IN RAID ON LYNN HOUSE

William R. Smith and Miss Violet A. Jerome, the latter an unusually comely brunette of sixteen years, were arrested in a police raid on a house on Porter street, Lynn, today, on joint charges of having administered illegal medical treatment to a woman and a girl now in Lynn Hospital.

They pleaded not guilty in Lynn court and were held in \$2500 bail each for continued hearings Saturday.

The police received a telephone call from the house last night for an ambulance to take a woman to the hospital. Officers accompanying the ambulance recognized Smith and recalled that a year ago a girl died in front of a house he was then occupying on Park street. An autopsy on that girl's body failed to reveal illegal medical practice, but the case remained a police mystery.

The patient for whom the ambulance was called last night is Anna Gordon, thirty-five years old. The police say that Lynn Hospital surgeons found evidence of illegal treatment, she is in critical condition.

Today Chief Inspector Thorne and Inspector Kane and Donahue made a raid upon the house. They found a second patient there, a dress girl of twenty-two years, very ill. She was hurried to the hospital, where her case was said to be similar to that of the Gordon woman, only more serious.

The police say they found "matrimonies" in the house, which they took to the station with Smith. He was charged with Smith's arrest.



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REPORT 15,000 BRITISH KILLED IN ARABIA

By International News Service.
Berlin (wireless), Jan. 27.—The Cologne Volkszeitung publishes a dispatch from Cairo, dated December 20, stating that the British troops in Southern Arabia have killed 15,000 British and 25,000 Arabs, while the 20,000 British left at Aden, after a dangerous position.

The British are defending themselves desperately against the Arabs and Turks, the dispatch adds. At the beginning of the war the British occupied 250,000 square kilometers (100,000 square miles) in Southern Arabia and Yemen, but that this has all been lost.

"All the Arab sheiks have transferred their allegiance to the Turks, and are now successfully using the arms given to them by the British to use against the Ottoman forces."

PUT STOMACH IN FINE CONDITION

Says Indigestion Results from an Excess of Hydrochloric Acid.

Undigested food delayed in the stomach, decays, or, rather, ferments the same as food left in a can, says a noted authority. It also causes the indigestion in the open air. The indigestion in the open air is caused by the action of the bacteria in the stomach, which prevents complete digestion. This everything eaten goes in the stomach, much the same as a toy balloon. Then we feel a heavy, lumpy ball in the chest, or a belch up gas, heartburn, flatulence, water-brash, etc.

To tell us to lay aside all digestive aids and instead get a glass of water, many four ounces of J. D. Salts and make a tablespoonful of water. This is to be continued for a week. While the water follows the food, it will remove the acid-making matter, start the liver, stimulate the stomach, and thus promote a free flow of pure digestive juices.

J. D. Salts is inexpensive, and is made from the purest of grape and lemon juice combined with lithia and sodium phosphate. This preparation will remove the acid-making matter, start the liver, stimulate the stomach, and thus promote a free flow of pure digestive juices.

PIMPLES COVERED BABY'S HEAD

Became One Scale Which Was Awful to Look At. Burning and Itching. All the Time, Begon to Body.

HEALED BY CUTICURA SOAP AND OINTMENT

"Baby was five days old when I first noticed that her head was covered with pimples. The baby of her head became so red and swollen that I was unable to look at her. The head and body were all covered with scales. After a week of looking at it, it was burning and itching so all the time. After a while I saw in the paper that Cuticura was out on her body. My baby was as well looking as I."

For six weeks before I used Cuticura Soap and Ointment and her body and head were healed with scales. In a few days my baby was as well looking as I. (Signed) Mrs. R. E. Hildner, R. F. D. No. 2, Bushy Run, Pa., July 1, 1915.

Sample Case Free by Mail. With 25¢ Skin Rub on request. Address: "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston." Sold throughout the world.

No More Constipation or Blistery Skin. Want a clear, healthy complexion, regular bowels and a perfect working liver? All easy to obtain if you use Carter's Little Liver Pills. They cure, safe and easy to take. They're just fine for headache, dizziness, upset stomach and drowsiness. Fairly reliable. Small Pill—Small Dose—Small Price. GENUINE must bear signature.

TODAY'S AID TO BEAUTY. An especially fine shampoo for this weather can be easily made at trifling expense by simply dissolving a teaspoonful of cutbush in a cup of hot water. Pour slowly on scalp and massage briskly. This creates a soothing, cooling layer that dissolves and removes all dirt, dandruff, excess oil and dirt. Rinsing leaves the scalp perfectly clean, soft and pliant, while the hair takes on a glossy richness of natural color, also a lustrous which makes it seem very much heavier than it is. After a cautious shampooing, the hair is a pleasure—Admirer.

WAR SUMMARY

London announces that hereafter French warships will assist the British fleet on blockade service. The announcement is especially significant because it comes so closely after the debate on the blockade question in the Commons.

Sir Edward Grey told the Commons that all that could be done was being done, but the opponents of the Ministry showed in the debate, and the opposition papers make plain in their editorials today, that "what is being done" is not enough.

In view of the addition of the French to the British fleet for blockade duty, it seems probable that more stringent measures will hereafter be taken.

If England declares an actual "blockade" of Germany, and if the undertakes to make that blockade legal, she must control the Baltic, as well as the North Sea. A blockade, to be legal, must be "effective," and it must "apply equally to all countries." The present "blockade" is not even reasonably effective, nor does it apply equally to all countries, because trade between Sweden and Germany across the Baltic is practically uninterrupted.

SWEDEN IN BAD TEMPER

Instead of cutting off this trade England has "blockaded" Sweden and the rest of Scandinavia, with the result that Sweden is in a bad temper, and more stringent measures may quite easily precipitate Sweden into the war.

The British expedition in Mesopotamia, according to Turkish and German reports, having an unpleasant time of it, losing heavily, and in danger of utter destruction. The only official British utterance of the day was a correction of a previous bulletin. The previous bulletin said the British relief force was within seven miles of the besieged. The correction says the distance should have been stated as twenty-three miles, instead of seven.

Internally, Britain is becoming more harmonious. The conscription bill has passed the Lords and the King's signature will make it law. Labor, at a Bristol conference, has voted overwhelmingly against compulsory military service, but also to support the government in conducting the war.

GERMAN DRIVE FAILS

The German "drive" in northern France against Calais has failed for the present at least. Successes were of minor importance. The Austrians won a small success over the Italians, and Austria announces Montenegro has finally formally surrendered. Two hundred thousand Austrians are invading Albania, where—Durazzo—the allies seem to plan to make a stand.

London anticipates another air raid. Police warnings have been issued advising all, in case of a raid, to stay indoors and to questions as to the new German seventeen-inch naval guns, Balfour told the Commons that "every clacker at home and in the Mediterranean is being used by ourselves or our allies," and that all possible is being done to meet any German move.

By International News Service.
Washington, Jan. 27.—German diplomatic circles view the war as progressing today. The settlement of the Lusitania controversy cannot be expected before the German Ambassador, has knowledge of what Germany's reply will be.

The final version of the German action of the government in staying off any action that might further alienate the sympathy of non-combatants. They declared that the question of a blockade was the question being at rest, relegated to the background.

The criticism that has recently been leveled at the foreign secretary, Sir Edward Grey, was noticeably lessened as a result of the masterly way in which he handled the blockade issue for the government.

Parliamentary advocates of a blockade that would strain many admit that Sir Edward has defeated their desires, and that after his exposition of the difficulties connected with the establishment of such a commerce-destroying cord it would be impossible to bring up the matter again in the near future with any chance of success.

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BRITISH LABOR WAGES AGAINST CONSCRIPTION

By SYDNEY B. CAVE.
International News Service Staff Correspondent.

Bristol, Eng., Jan. 27.—By the overwhelming majority of 1,571,000, the Trades Union Conference in session here today adopted resolutions opposing compulsory military service in Great Britain. The vote on the resolution was as follows:

Against conscription... 1,571,000
For conscription... 210,000

The announcement of the result of the ballot was greeted with cheers which lasted for five minutes.

Though the conference yesterday adopted resolutions pledging its support to the government in prosecuting the war to a successful conclusion, its position in condemning compulsory military service was a foregone conclusion from the time the delegates began here.

The delegates representing all branches of British labor were determined to show their opposition to conscription, even in the modified form proposed by Premier Asquith and his cabinet colleagues. Several speakers opposed the resolution, and the delegates, representing more than 2,000,000 workers, to support the government or at least refrain from an open opposition.

William C. Anderson, president of the conference and a member of the Trades Union Congress, division of Sheffield, led the fight for the resolutions.

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Include Exceptional Values from the Great February Furniture Sale

We believe the secret of good advertising, and it ought not to be a secret, is just talking common sense about common sense merchandise at common sense prices. The careful perusal of the special Friday items mentioned below should be an inspiration to common sense people who wish to save money.

On Sale from 9 to 12 A. M.

\$16.50 Bed Outfits
Mackay Vests, 12½¢ each. 11.98
Women's \$1.00 Union Suits. 69¢
Women's \$2.00 to \$3.00 Party Slippers. 1.23
35¢ Corset Covers. 33¢
Linen Crash. 9½¢
Men's 75c Rubbers. 37¢
\$1.00 Old Waists. 59¢
\$13.50 Dining Tables. 9.98

\$3.50 Parlor Rockers
Mackay Vests, 12½¢ each. 2.25
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FOR M'CALL MODEL

er Eileen Amelia Livingstone, the artist's model and dancer who, really and truly married to the Leland Henry Niles, Harvard of Amsterdam, N. Y., at the residence of St. Francis parish, in Charlestown, by the William H. Walsh, curate.

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Light straw models at this extreme/low price, too.

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New shapes in satin and straw.

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Clever New Waists
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Just received; splendid assortment of new waists: willow, crepe de chine, lap and habutai silk waists in black and white, new color-floored effects, also embroidered crepe de chine, finished with loops and large pearl buttons.

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New Lingerie Styles
All white striped, crepe voile, fancy voile, trimmed with German val, lace back and front, also tailored in satin, gabardine and poplin, gathered yoke effects and convertible collars.

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Muslin Underwear
Fine Quality Goods Radically
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**1.25 Hand Embroidered
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Trimmed with tuchron lace and pretty design spray fronts; newest selections to choose from.

1.50 Night Gowns 98c

New assortment; lace and haburg trimmed back and front; also fine crepe gowns in the slip-over and high neck effects.

2.50 Princess Slips 1.50

New models with full circular skirt daintily trimmed with finest of laces.

1.25 White Skirts, Special 65c

Hamburg trimmed, slightly scaled. A big bargain at this very low price.

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Suit & Coat Prices Marked Down
Great Chance for Women to Save Money on Fine Quality Wearing Apparel.
Lots Are Limited.

Women's Suits Prices to 17.50. For **7.45** Broadcloth, poplin, wide wale serge, one manish serge and velvets; braid and button trimmed, also fur and velvet trimmed; semi-tailored models, lined with best quality satin; lined in black.

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Women's Suits 13.95
Usual Price 19.50
 Smart styles fashioned from fine quality gabardine and poplin, trimmed with velvet and bone buttons; some trimmed with fur.

Coats for 5.95
Salts Astratex Cloth
 Made with flare skirt; broad belt, plush and fur trimmed; all lined. In this lot of coats at \$5.95 we feature drassy corduroy coats, too.

Large Size Coats 9.95

Suits for 3.95
12.50 to 15.00 Values

This is a small lot of cheviot and serge suits in black and blue, winter weight garments marked at a price which permits of big savings.

Large Size Coats 3.95
Odd Lot for Stout Figures

This big offering embraces serges and diagonal weaves, every coat lined with the fine quality satin; choice of navy and gray. Values in this lot range from \$19.75 to \$22.50.

Second Floor—Magna-Nor-Houston Co.

New Price on Smart
Suits & Coats for Misses
SUITS That Were 10.00
Priced 17.50. Now
This is a limited lot of fine wearing cheviot, poplin and serge suits left from previous stocks!

Misses' Suits for 12.50
Usual Price 19.75

Broadcloth and gabardine in the new flare model, colors navy, green and brown. A remarkable money-saving opportunity for prudent shoppers.

Misses' Coats for 5.90

5-Inch Black Kid Boots, lace styles, plain and white stitched, Louis leather heels, light flexible welts, gun metal and patent colt, but-

Usual Price 10.00
 7-belt, with the flare back, also belted models and fur trimmed collars, slashed pockets. Serviceable styles priced most unusually low. This is not a big lot, so come early.
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Some Railroad Magnate Who Needs a Superintendent Should Wire the Kid



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Too Bad Pa Was Too Late to Trip Him Up



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Perhaps Skinny Shaner Is Thinking of Leap Year



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GOAT GRABBERS

JOE MAKEMWAT, THE GIN
WHO GOES INTO A ONE ARM
LUNCH ROOM DURING RUS
HOUR, TAKES A SEAT AND
READS THE PAPER FOR 5
MINUTES

WELL
KNOWN
SAYINGS
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BY
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YOU LOOK
SWELL IN
THAT HAT!

Answer to Yesterday's

WHEN WILL THERE BE TWENTY FIVE
LETTERS IN THE ALPHABET? WHEN L
AND I ARE ONE. REMEMBER, WE TOLD YOU
YESTERDAY THAT THIS GOOGLY WAS FOR YOU
MEN TO SPRING ON THEIR SWEETHEARTS

Now then!

FROM J. A. B. - BAY RIDGE, N.
WHAT TURNS WITHOUT MOVING
AW, YOU OUGHTA KNOW THAT!
HOWEVER, ANSWER TO-MORROW.

There is a rank due to the United States among nations which will be withheld, if not absolutely lost, by the reputation of weakness. If we desire to avoid insult, we must be able to repel it; if we desire to secure peace, one of the most powerful instruments of our rising prosperity, it must be known that we are at all times ready for war.—GEORGE WASHINGTON

TRUTH, JUSTICE

BOSTON AMERICAN EDITORIAL PAGE

PUBLIC SERVICE

Thursday, January 27, 1916

The President Asks Us Today to Share Our Good Fortune with a Suffering People

THE President of the United States, the greatest executive officer in the world, has done an extraordinary thing. The Senate of the United States, the greatest deliberative body in the world, has done an extraordinary thing. Governor McCall, chief executive of Massachusetts, has done an extraordinary thing. These great political departments of the State and nation have taken official cognizance of the suffering of the Jews in the war zone.

President Wilson has set aside today, January 27, as a day on which he asks the kindly people of America to give something out of the surplus which most of us enjoy above the necessities of life to the poor Jews in Europe, who are dying because they have not any of these necessities.

The extraordinary action of the President and of the Senate is proof of the extraordinary crisis in the affairs of a great, competent, useful branch of the white race, which is being slowly and fearfully ground under the heel of war.

These Jews are non-combatants. Neutrality will not be impaired by helping them.

They tell us that we have no friends among the warring nations of Europe. Perhaps not among the chancelleries which too long have represented the peoples of Europe. But if by our charity our people make friends with the people behind the chancelleries we shall have friends where they will count the most.

After this war is over and victor and vanquished have cast up their losses and weighed them against the causes of the war their hatred of the diplomacy which dragged them into this unnecessary conflict will make the hostility of the chancelleries of Europe of very little importance to the people of America.

Please do not forget that today has been designated by the head of the nation as a day of charity for the poor Jews. On this day and on subsequent days, so long as the poor Jews may need it, and so long as we shall be able to give it, the President requests us to share a little of our good fortune with those who so terribly need it.

Measures That Congress Should Now Enact

A DEMOCRATIC organ complains that the critics of the administration and the majority in Congress are mere fault-finders, who never offer any constructive criticisms.

Well, how about these—all of them measures the Hearst papers have over and over again urged the Congress to enact:

1. Appropriations for ADEQUATE naval and military preparedness;
 2. Appropriations for the purchase, construction and operation of a GOVERNMENT MERCHANT MARINE;
 3. The appointment of a competent commission to formulate and report a feasible method of taking over the ownership and operation of railways;
 4. An immediate invitation to all neutral nations to join in a league for defence of neutral rights and for the promotion of peace;
 5. The creation of military and naval colleges in different parts of the country for the free education of young men as officers, who will go into civil life subject to the country's call in case of war;
 6. Free tolls to American ships using the Panama Canal, a 5 per cent. preferential rebate upon dutiable goods imported in American vessels, and a clean-cut declaration of the rights upon the seas of our shipping, which the United States will protect by any and all necessary means;
 7. Appropriations for the construction of national trunk highways east to west and north to south;
 8. The formation of a national marketing commission for the benefit of agriculturists;
 9. The prompt and decisive use of the naval and military forces of the United States to restore order and to protect American lives and property in Mexico.
- Every one of these CONSTRUCTIVE measures the Hearst newspapers have urged upon Congress.
- Every one of them is for the public welfare.
- Every one of them could be passed and ought to be passed by this Democratic Congress.
- And we doubt that ANY ONE OF THEM will be passed.

FACING FAMINE, THEY ASK AMERICA'S AID

Reproduced from the Boston Sunday American of February 14, 1915.



In the wake of war, where there is no glory, no joy of battle, comes starvation, to strike down the wounded and the non-combatants.

"Whipping the Devil Around the Stump"

The Latest British-Made Law of Blockade a Violation of Our Rights

By Albert Bushnell Hart

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WHEN we read in English newspapers that the time has come for such weak and inexperienced diplomats as Sir Edward Grey to take back seats while naval men apply the law of the sea, we naturally expect another batch of those "Orders-in-Council" from which the British government from time to time manufactures international law for neutrals.

This process began immediately after the war broke out, by the British notice that certain parts of the North Sea were mined so that neutral vessels must keep out. It was continued by British declarations of blockade which have grown steadily more drastic. It was carried forward by orders for taking neutral vessels into port on suspicion of carrying contraband. It was especially revealed in the British announcement some months ago that the coasts of the North Sea were in a condition of blockade.

Every one of these orders was contrary to the principles of international law which were accepted by Great Britain herself, down to the beginning of the present war, and every one was contrary to the interests of the United States.

A Cool Announcement
Now comes the cool suggestion that Great Britain will announce an "actual blockade" and then we shall see what will happen to us. At the start we may safely assert that the British have not the slightest intention of declaring a genuine blockade, because that would mean the stationing of ships outside the German ports at such points that vessels attempting to go in or out of those ports would be likely to be captured.

Teasch as during a year and a half neither the Germans nor the English have ventured to send out into the North Sea squadrons of more than half a dozen vessels, and only two or three times, nobody can believe that the British naval authorities will now risk their first class ships where within four hours of their arrival at their stations they would attract a flotilla of torpedo boats and submarines.

Perhaps the English only mean that they will issue a "paper blockade" declaring certain coasts of their enemy closed, just as they did a hundred years ago. Then they could capture and confiscate American vessels and cargoes found anywhere on the seas if bound in or out of those ports.

Such an "actual blockade" is not a likelihood, it is not international law; it is not civilized warfare. It is simply a device to break up a certain kind of American commerce, without going to the expense and danger of the genuine blockade which alone would justify such captures.

Hits at America
There is at present next to no direct trade between the United States and the German ports; and therefore it seems likely that the talk about "actual blockade" is really meant to cover an absolute prohibition of cover an absolute prohibition of American commerce to neutral countries.

Another way of whipping the devil around the stump is by calling everything useful contraband. The United States government from the beginning of the war has accepted the doctrine that genuine contraband of war may be captured if found to be a neutral power, with a probable destination in an enemy's country.

Our government has therefore been ready to not prosecuting more directly and vigorously against the British expansion of the list of contraband to cover rubbers, sundries, cotton and many other articles, which might be used by an army, but to all probability will be used by the civil population.

London talks sagely about precedents found in the action of the United States during the Civil War. It talks in vain. The only precedents are the captures by United States vessels of ships, mostly British, which were carrying genuine contraband, intended to be delivered eventually in Confederate territory. That principle has not been denied in the present war. What the British are trying to do, without right or reason, is to stop non-contraband goods from reaching Germany by any channel.

A Leading Question
Why should such goods not reach Germany? We have an established international right to ship non-contraband goods either directly to any port of Germany that is not actually threatened or indirectly through a neutral port. We do not get that right from Great Britain or from Germany or from The Hague Conference or from any other body.

The Wages of Uncleanliness

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PART TWO.
A COUPLE of years ago the writer was visiting a great factory employing some four thousand men.

The possibilities for dirt and grime and black grease in this industry can hardly be excelled, and ten years ago the average machine shop was a cross between Dante's Inferno and the screening department of a coal mine for blackness.

In fact, any able-bodied machine shop who showed anything but black about him except the whites of his eyes was rather ashamed of himself than otherwise.

But the men's entrance to this great plant was like the hall of some public building. The first rooms you came to on the right and the left were great lockers and washrooms with white enameled bowls and hot and cold water like the locker rooms of a great gymnasium. Here every workman was expected to leave his street clothing and put on a clean suit of overalls and a special pair of shop shoes before going into the workshop.

A lunch room was provided in the building where he could either order a hot lunch at little more than cost price or eat the lunch he brought with him, and when he washed up at night after quitting time he threw his dirty overalls into great baskets to be carried to the laundry and would find a clean suit in his locker when he returned next morning.

When the men came pouring out through the great doors again into the street they were as cleanly and tidy and almost as well dressed as the average clerk or salesman or business man. The rest of the factory, of course, corresponded; the workshops were flooded with light, for all the walls and half the roof were glass, there wasn't a speck of dust or floating grime flying anywhere.

The floors were as clean as those of the average schoolroom or kitchen. The work benches were brown and well oiled, but clear of every speck or scrap, except the metal which was being fashioned and the tools absolutely necessary. All the seldom-used tools and gauges and cutters were arranged in racks under the eave of a tool librarian, who issued them as they were wanted. Every speck of dust or flying scrap was sucked into baskets or hoppers and shot down to the floor below.

It is our character as a sovereign power which is not obliged to go to war with either Great Britain or Germany, or to be treated as though we were at war. Being at peace with all the belligerents, we can trade with them all.

Great Britain thinks that the comparatively small amount of American products that reach Germany is an aid to the war, which must be punished by creating new principles of capture. Then what about the vastly greater amount of materials, both contraband and innocent, which is sent to Great Britain?

If it is our neutral right to ship contraband goods anywhere subject to the usual rules of capture, and to ship non-contraband anywhere without danger of capture, if President Wilson is to be taken at his word, would it not be a fair trade that sent to the British government all the rest of the output of our country and most essential things?

More Truth Than Poetry

By James J. Montague
As Old as They Feel!

THEY fell for the first time and tango last season. But now these diversions are not up-to-date; Our set doesn't do them, and that is the reason. Our aged relations have learned how to skate. Gliding with well-balanced equilibrium Gracefully over the surface they go. Ticked to death with a real recreation. For dancing they found was a little too slow.

GRANDMA was seventy-one in November. Great Uncle Ezra is seventy-two. Grandpa declares that he will can remember His old days in college with Chauncey Deves. You'd think that they all would be quietly "wailing" The summons that calls to the cloudy Beyond; But not these old birds—they have all gone out skating. They're kicking their heels up on Caffery's pond.

LEAVE to the schoolboy the chair by the chimney. Let the young shrink from the snow and the cold; But, while the blood can still tingle, my Jiminy! Hearshide has no terrors for old folks like these!

In-Shoots

Unnasy line the head that nurses a soft job.

Love invariably loosens the tongue of the wary.

The water wagon appeals to a lot of us because it is economical.

When a fellow doesn't need friends the friends usually need him.

Anyhow, the man who sits down and waits for success can save shoe leather.

The more you are right and then prepare for a lot of knock.

The man who takes himself too seriously is expiring philosophically.